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APPLICANT: EIGEN ET AL (DIV)  
SERIAL NO.: 10/032,897 EXAMINER: JOYCE TUNG  
FILED: OCTOBER 25, 2001 GROUP: 1637  
TITLE: PROCESS AND AGENT FOR INSTABILIZING VIRAL  
QUASI-SPECIES DISTRIBUTIONS AVOIDING  
RESISTANCE PHENOMENA

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 27, 2003, with the time for reply having been extended for three months, or until FEBRUARY 27, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 3 of this document.

Remarks begin on Page 10 of this document.